

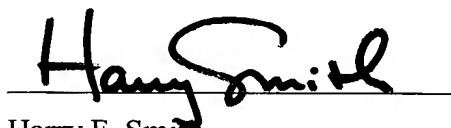
REMARKS

The amendment to claims 1 and 6 changes the spelling of "virtualised" to a spelling more consistent with U.S. spelling usage, and also even further clarifies the claim language. The amendment was not made for a reason related to patentability, and the full range of equivalents for all of the elements of the amended claims, as well as for all of the other claims, should remain intact.

Claims 13-28 are newly added. These claims are supported throughout the specification and drawings, and no new matter is introduced. These claims are added to afford the Applicants the claim coverage that they appear to deserve, in view of the prior art known thus far. Relatedly, filed herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement, a PTO-1449, a copy of a non-U.S. patent document(s), and a copy of a UK Search Report under Section 17, where all of the cited documents were designated with an "A" for merely indicating the technological background and/or the state of the art. Also submitted is a copy of the 1988 Patterson et al. publication that is referenced in the Background section of this patent application.

A favorable consideration that results in the allowance of all of the pending claims is earnestly solicited.

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